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10 April 1990

MEMORANDUM FOR: Major Gerald D. Hill III
Chief, Okinawa Area Field Office, USFJ

SUBJECT: DFAB Request for Study to Release Land
in FBIS Antenna Field

1. Attached for your information are copies of a "Request for Study on Partial Release of Facilities and Areas on Okinawa" from DFAB, passed on to me by Chief, Real Estate Management, Kadena, and my reply. Please pass these on to the appropriate USFJ office in Yokota for their information.
2. Since the property on which Okinawa Bureau is located is considered Air Force property, I coordinated my response with what they are planning to do. They examined each plot to see if it was required for their mission or not and identified one plot which they could give up.
3. I will keep you informed on any further information I get from the Air Force or DFAB.

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Chief, Okinawa Bureau
FBIS/USFJ

NAHA DEFENSE FACILITIES ADMINISTRATION BUREAU
1-5-16, Kume, Naha-shi, Okinawa-ken

AFP No. 1154

14 March 1990

Subject: Request for Study on Partial Release of Facilities
and Areas on Okinawa.

To: Brig. Gen. Ralph T. Browning
Commander
313th Air Division

1. As to most of the land within the facilities and areas provided for the U.S. Forces under the Status of Forces Agreement after the Okinawa Reversion (15 May 1972), the Japanese Government obtained the title of use by making lease contracts with the landowners.

2. The lease contracts will expire on 14 May 1992, as the longest duration of the lease contracts of 20 years stipulated by Article 604 of the Japanese Civil Law Act will end on that day. Accordingly, the Japanese Government has to make the new lease contracts on the land which is necessary to be provided for U.S. Forces continuously on and after 15 May 1992.

Therefore, this office has been endeavoring to conclude pre-agreements for the new lease contracts with the landowners since this fiscal year. However, at present, approximately 2,000 landowners have not agreed yet to conclude the pre-agreements. In case that we cannot conclude the pre-agreements in spite of continuous negotiation with the landowners, we have to take steps either to have such land released to the owners by 14 May 1992 or to acquire the title of using the land based upon the "Law for Special Measures Regarding Use and Expropriation of Land, etc. Incidental to Enforcement of the Agreement under Article VI of the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security between the United States of America and Japan, Regarding Facilities and Areas and Status of United States Armed Forces in Japan".

3. In case of applying the law, it is indispensable, as a requisite therefor, to elucidate that providing the land, etc. for the U.S. Forces use is 'right and reasonable'. (The Prime Minister is to judge the propriety of the elucidation.)

For the following cases, it is anticipated to be difficult to elucidate the 'right and reasonable':

- a. Unused land outside the security fence.

b. Facility, whose purpose of use is unclear, such as a portion of Torii Communication Station, etc..

c. Recreational facility, such as Okuma Rest Center, Awase Golf Course, etc..

4. This office has been making the best effort to obtain the title of using all the land. However, it is considered that among the land to which the pre-agreement of the new lease contract cannot be concluded in the result, the land where the requisite of the 'right and reasonable' is difficult to elucidate has to be released to the owner.

5. Therefore, it is requested that study on the feasibility of releasing the land delineated on the attached maps be made and your comments on the matter be given to this office.

Keijiyo Yanai

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Director

Naha DFAB

Encl: 1. List of facilities to be studied on partial release
2. Location maps

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9 April 1990

MEMORANDUM FOR: Harry M. Okuhama
Chief, Real Estate Management
18th Civil Engineering Group

SUBJECT: Request for Study on Partial Release of
Facilities and Areas on Okinawa

REF: Naha DFAB ltr AFS No. 1154 dated 14 March
1990 - same subject

1. FBIS has made an inspection of the plots of land requested to be studied for partial release at FAC 6021, the facility known as the Senaha Communication Station.

2. It has been determined that the plots at map numbers 9-1 (687 sq.m) and 3-2 (99 sq.m) are not required for the performance of the FBIS/USFJ mission. FBIS would not object to the release of these two properties.

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cc: Okinawa Area Field Office, US Forces Japan